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SUBJECT: ANTITRUST: FTC INVESTIGATION OF ACQUISITION BY
DOMTAR, LTD.

1. FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION (FTC) HAS ADVISED DEPARTMENT THAT "THE COMMISSION'S STAFF INTENDS TO RECOMMEND OPENING OF A PRELIMINARY NON-PUBLIC INVESTIGATION OF THE ACQUISITION OF CERTAIN GYPSUM ASSETS BY A U.S. SUBSIDIARY OF DOMTAR, LTD., A CANADIAN CORPORATION, FROM KAISER CEMENT AND GYPSUM CORPORATION, A DOMESTIC MANUFACTURER OF CEMENT AND GYPSUM PRODUCTS. THE STAFF IS EXAMINING THIS ACTIVITY IN ORDER TO ASCERTAIN WHETHER ANY ACTIVITIES IN VIOLATION OF SECTION 5 OF THE FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION ACT, WHICH PROHIBITS UNFAIR METHODS OF COMPETITION, AND SECTION 7 OF UNCLASSIFIED

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THE CLAYTON ACT, WHICH PROHIBITS ACQUISITIONS OR JOINT VENTURES WHICH MIGHT TEND TO RESTRAIN COMPETITION, HAVE OCCURRED.

2. QUOTE THE FACT THAT THE COMMISSION'S BUREAU OF COMPETITION IS CONSIDERING THE OPENING OF A PRELIMINARY NON-PUBLIC INVESTIGATION SHOULD NOT BE TAKEN AS EVIDENCE THAT ANY VIO-

LATIONS HAVE TAKEN PLACE. NO COMPULSORY PROCESS IS AUTHORIZED AT THIS TIME, ALTHOUGH STAFF INTENDS TO WRITE A LETTER TO DOMTAR REQUESTING THAT IT FURNISH INFORMATION ON A VOLUNTARY BASIS.

3. EMBASSY IS REQUESTED TO NOTIFY APPROPRIATE GOC AUTHORITIES OF THE ABOVE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE 1967 OECD RECOMMENDATION ON RESTRICTIVE BUSINESS PRACTICES. CHRISTOPHER

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